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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
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IN THE MATTER OF	:	Administrative Action
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ROBERT HWANG, D.D.S	:	CONSENT ORDER OF
License No. 22DI 0013079	:	REINSTATEMENT
	:	
LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY	:	
<u>IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY</u>	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon the application of Robert Hwang, D.D.S. ("respondent"), seeking reinstatement of his license to practice dentistry in the State of New Jersey. Respondent's license was suspended through Consent Order filed with the Board on July 30, 2009 based on his offensive touching of another, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:33-4B on November 5, 2007. That suspension, effective September 1, 2009, was for a period of three (3) years, of which a minimum of 90 days was to be served as a period of active suspension, and the remainder of the suspension stayed and served as a period of probation.

Respondent has completed all requirements set forth in the Board's order, and now seeks reinstatement of his license. As required by the July 2009 order, prior to his return to active

practice, respondent underwent a psychological evaluation conducted by Jeffrey Allen, Ph.D. According to Dr. Allen's report dated December 22, 2010, he found no evidence during his evaluation to suggest that Dr. Hwang suffers from any disorder that would cause him to exhibit behavior that would place the public at risk.

In support of his reinstatement request, respondent provided a letter from Donald D. Oh, M.D., dated February 1, 2011, stating that respondent does not have any psychiatric contraindications for him to practice. This assessment was confirmed by Arthur C. Rothman, M.D., Ph.D, a neurologist, in a letter dated March 9, 2011, which indicated a neurological examination for Dr. Hwang was entirely normal. Respondent has also paid all penalties and successfully completed, continuing education, and an ethics course as required by the July 2009 order. On February 16, 2011, respondent appeared without counsel, at an investigative inquiry and demonstrated rehabilitation.

Having reviewed the entire record, the Board is persuaded that respondent's return to practice is consistent with the health, safety and welfare of the public and that good cause exists for entry of this Order.

IT IS, therefore, on this 6th day of April, 2011,

1. The license of Robert Hwang, D.D.S., is reinstated upon his completion of all administrative requirements including payment of fees, criminal history background check and proof of continuing education. As provided by the Board's order of July 30, 2009, the remainder of the three (3) year period of suspension shall be

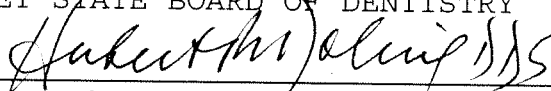
stayed and served as a period of probation which shall be completed on July 31, 2012.

2. During the period of probation respondent shall limit his hours of practice to no more than 32 hours per week in a group practice setting only.

3. Respondent shall continue in counseling until further order of the Board. Respondent shall be responsible to submit quarterly reports from his counselor to the Board in which he/she details the status and progress of respondent's therapy. Such counselor shall be provided with a copy of this order and agree to provide the quarterly reports and to report immediately (within 24 hours) orally and in writing, any concerns with respondent's ability to practice or discontinuance of respondent's treatment.


NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

By:



Herbert Dolinsky, D.D.S.
Acting President

I have read and understand this
Consent Order and agree
to be bound by its terms. I consent
to the entry of this Order.


Robert Hwang, D.D.S.

Date

4/11/2011